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Dear Sir:

An Office communication dated July 17, 2006 was received by the Applicants whereby the Appellants' filing of an amendment dated May 30, 2006 was not entered and the application file was being returned to the Board so that a decision making the original affirmance final could be entered.

To date, the Applicants have not received the Board's decision.

Applicants respectfully requests that the undersigned be provided with the status of the application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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